



LEON SMITH, director of the Lewis House news room, points to where the teletype machine will sit when the room is completed.

ICRN To Build News Room In Lewis House

by Robert Stolte

After weeks of detailed discussion and preparation, work is slated to start early this week on construction of a wall in the Jester Room of Lewis House. This wall will divide the room into an Inter College Radio Network news studio and a reception area designed for public viewing of the United Press International Teletype machine as well as the operation of the news studio. This viewing capability will be made available by a 7½ ft. by 4 ft. glass window covering a large majority of the wall area. The construction work will be done by Fisher-Rexford Company of Colton with other necessary work being done by Clarkson College and the ICRN technical department.

Leon Smith, junior Math major has been appointed by

ICRN President Bill Cleverly to head up the operation of the new network studio. In an interview by this reporter Leon stated; "It is hoped that all necessary construction work will be completed in the next few weeks."

A centrally located news studio has been a dream of the ICRN network since its inception. The recent Cuban crisis prompted the ICRN to move its UPI teletype machine to Lewis House so that all students and faculty of both Potsdam Colleges could observe the latest news as it occurred. Student and faculty approval of this move prompted the ICRN to investigate the possibility of a permanent news room in Lewis House. Through close cooperation with Mr. Eustis, the Lewis House Board, Dean Lindsey, Mr. Donahue, and Mr. Hall agreement was reached on the use of the Jester Room in Lewis House and necessary financial arrangements were made for its alteration into an adequate studio.

This news room will not only provide a news source to the students visiting the studio but it will solve a problem for the ICRN. By using a central news staff organized separately from either WCCT or WNTC the

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ICRN can provide better quality news programming to the listeners of WCCT and WNTC. This better quality made available by this studio will also enhance the FM broadcasts when WCCT receives its FM license from the Federal Communications Commission.

When asked about the ICRN news studio in Lewis House Mr. Eustis, student activities director, stated: "I think this is the best thing that has happened to Lewis House in a long while." He went on to add "I feel confident that the ICRN will operate this studio in a way that will add greatly to the current events knowledge of all students and faculty of both Potsdam colleges."

Leon Smith, newly appointed news director of the ICRN, feels that to do the job of operating this news room properly has expanded and well trained news staff will be needed. Leon will be holding classes in the near future for news broadcasters. Any Clarkson or State student interested in this field of broadcasting should contact

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At its board meeting last Monday night the Executive Committee of the Inter College Radio Network decided to make available to any residence in the Village of Potsdam WCCT and/or WNTC at a service charge of \$2.50 per month on top of the normal telephone line and installation charges. Each residence must also provide non-transmitting terminal equipment that meets ICRN technical standards.

The ICRN feels that by making this service available, Fraternities, Sororities and other living units will be able to receive Clarkson Hockey as well as the normal music, news, and special broadcasts presented by the member stations of the Inter College Radio Network.

"For more information on prices and equipment needed" said President Bill Cleverly, "contact Roy Krause, Technical Director, Inter College Radio Network, Clarkson College or call Roy at CO7-9635."

Leon Smith or any member of the ICRN executive board as soon as possible.